

REMARKS

In the instant application, new claims 36 and 37 have been added. Claims 15-37 are now pending.

The undersigned would like to thank the Examiner for discussing this case on February 7, 2006. The current amendments reflect that discussion.

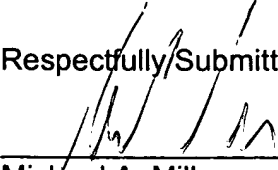
In the Office Action, claims 15-19, 21-31, 33-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Independent claims 15, 31, and 35 have been amended to include that, "when the colorant comprises colorant pigments, the colorant pigments do not induce significant diffuse reflectance." Support for this amendment can be found on page 5 of the application as filed. As discussed with the Examiner, this amendment overcomes the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. As such, claims 15, 31, and 35 as well as the claims that depend therefrom are now in condition for allowance.

With regard to independent claim 28, the claim has been amended for the purpose of clarification. Further, the claim is directed to the use of colorant dyes which are described in the specification on page 5 of the application as filed. Since support for the dyes of claim 28 is found in the specification, it is respectfully submitted that this claim as well as those that depend therefrom do not fall within the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

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New claims 36 and 37 have been added and are consistent with subject matter indicated in the Office Action as allowable. As such, claims 15-37 are in condition for allowance.

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